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SENSOR APPARATUS AND METHODS

AMENDMENT

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Office Action of June 18, 2004, it is requested that the specification and claims be amended as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, Line 17: After "invention" insert --is-

Line 19: After "invention" insert -is-

Line 23: After "than" insert -one-

Line 28: After "as" insert -the---

Page 6, Line 25: In lieu of "Salt particles" substitute -Salt-rich layers-

IN THE CLAIMS:

cancel elaim 5 and a/mend the remaining claims as indicated:

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